

On Claim 12, line 4,

after "EESQK(Pam)-NH<sub>2</sub>", insert -- (SEQ ID NO. 35)--.

On Claim 12, line 5,

after "QHNVK(Pam)-NH<sub>2</sub>", insert -- (SEQ ID NO. 36)--.

On Claim 12, line 6,

after "VAENV-NH<sub>2</sub>", insert -- (SEQ ID NO. 37)--.

### REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request entry of the Supplementary Preliminary Amendment prior to examination on the merits of the National Stage PCT Application filed herewith.

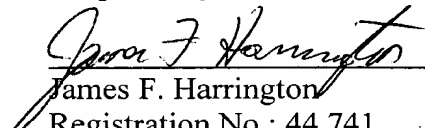
The amendments set forth above to the specification and claims were made to reflect the sequences contained in the Sequence Listing, a substitute version of which is filed herein. A computer readable copy of the substitute Sequence Listing is also provided herein on diskette.

Applicants state that the content of the paper and computer readable form for the Sequence Listing are the same, and where applicable, include no new matter, as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e) or §1.921(f) or §1.821(g) or §1.825(b) or §1.825(d).

In addition, the specification has been amended to include the appropriate headings in accordance with United States practice. No amendments were made in light of any prior art. No new matter has been added.

Accordingly, the Application is believed to be in condition for examination on the merits, and such examination and favorable consideration are respectfully and earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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